

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NO. RPU-04-1
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**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTIONS AND REQUEST
FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAR**

(Issued May 10, 2004)

Several additional petitions to intervene in the pending electric rate proceeding with Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) have been filed with the Utilities Board (Board). The entities and the dates the petitions were filed are as follows: Lakeside Casino Resort (Lakeside), April 27, 2004; Swiss Valley Farm, Co. (Swiss Valley), April 29, 2004; Maytag Corporation (Maytag), May 3, 2004; and Mason City-Area Employers Group (MCEG), May 3, 2004. No objections to any of the petitions to intervene were filed.

Each petition alleges an interest in the proceeding. Lakeside is an IPL electric customer in the area formerly served by Iowa Southern Utilities and is a significant recreational facility that employs over 500 persons. Swiss Valley is a dairy cooperative that manufactures, produces, and distributes dairy products, with plants in two of IPL's pricing zones. Swiss Valley has on-site generating capability. Maytag is a large customer of IPL with significant operations in the former Iowa Southern Utilities service territory and facilities located elsewhere in IPL's territory. The costs of electricity are a significant portion of Maytag's energy costs. The MCEG includes

Ag Processing Inc., Holcim, Marshall & Swift, and Woodharbor, all significant electric users in the Mason City area.

The Board will grant the petitions to intervene. All intervenors have alleged unique interests in this proceeding that are not currently represented.

Accompanying the petition to intervene filed by Maytag was a request for permission to appear filed by Stuart W. Conrad. Mr. Conrad is licensed to practice in Missouri, but not Iowa. Attached to the request was an appearance of Iowa counsel for purposes of service of process pursuant to Iowa Supreme Court rule 116. The requests for permission to appear will be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The petitions to intervene filed by Lakeside Casino Resort, Swiss Valley Farm, Co., Maytag Corporation, and the Mason City-Area Employers Group are granted.
2. The request for permission to appear filed by Stuart W. Conrad is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10th day of May, 2004.